

This is a reply to all those comments filed by companies that are asking for the FCC to relax the TCPA restrictions on automated calls to cell phones.

Please do not make it any easier for corporations to spam me with automated calls of any type to my cell phone. I carry my cell phone with me everywhere. There is no way for me to filter out unwanted calls like I can with email. Automated calls to my cell phone are a big invasion of my privacy, as I cannot avoid them. To add insult to injury, I have to pay to receive these calls. If I want a company to make automated calls to my cell phone, then I will tell the company quite clearly. If a company has any doubt as to whether I want them to make automated calls to my cell phone, then they should ask me first.

Particularly please do not make it any easier for corporations to send me text messages without my permission. Whether they send me a text message over the Internet, with a short code, or with a regular telephone number, I still receive the text message as a text message on my cell phone. I do not have an unlimited text message plan. Why should people like me have to pay for companies to send me text messages?

I have family who lives overseas in a country that has nothing like the TCPA protecting consumers. They will sometimes receive as many as 50 spam text messages a day. Please help protect consumers from such unwanted invasions of privacy. Thank you for your help.